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QUOTE C O N F I D E N T I A L BAMAKO 4421

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PINT, PDIP, CH, ML

SUBJ: PRC REPRESENTATIVE: ATTENDANCE AT EMBASSY FUNCTION

1. PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA ECONOMIC COUNSELOR LIANG SHU YU, ACCOMPANIED BY WIFE AND INTERPRETER, ACCEPTED INVITATION TO RECEPTION EVENING OF SEPTEMBER 7 GIVEN BY CHARGE MARKING RECENT ARRIVAL OF SEVERAL AMERICAN EMBASSY OFFICERS. IN EXTENDED CONVERSATION WITH TWO EMBOFFS, LIANG EXPRESSED SERIOUS INTEREST IN AID SPONSORED HYDRAULIC PROJECT IN MALI AND RESPONDED POSITIVELY TO SUGGESTION THAT HE MIGHT WISH TO VISIT PROJECT AT LATER DATE. LIANG ALSO EXPRESSED PLEASURE AT CHANCE TO ATTEND RECEPTION. HE ASSERTED THAT PRC-U.S. RELATIONS "WERE BOUND TO IMPROVE" FURTHER AND SUGGESTED THAT INFORMAL CONTACTS SUCH AS THIS OFFERED EXCELLENT CHANCE TO BRING TWO COUNTRIES CLOSER TOGETHER. HE LOOKED FORWARD TO ANOTHER CHANCE TO MEET " IN THE NEAR FUTURE."

2. LIANG SPOKE ONLY IN CHINESE AND DEPENDED ON HIS INTERPRETER
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TO CONDUCT THE CONVERSATION IN FRENCH. THE INTERPRETER ALSO SPEAKS SOME ENGLISH.

3. COMMENT: THIS IS FIRST TIME IN BAMAKO ANYONE FROM PRC EMBASSY HAS ACCEPTED INVITATION TO LARGE FUNCTION BY ANY AMERICAN. GRANER. UNQUOTE CHRISTOPHER

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